and public assistance activities in this State, including aid to families with dependent children, [old age assistance,] GENERAL public assistance, [aid to the permanently and totally disabled] PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TO ADULTS, child welfare services, FOOD STAMPS, and any other social service and public assistance activities financed in whole or in part by the State Department. For the purposes of these powers, child welfare services being provided to persons under eighteen (18) may continue after their eighteenth birthday but not beyond their twenty-first birthday.

18A.

This section applies to the following social (b) service or public assistance programs and activities: (1) [Public assistance to the needy blind (with particular reference to §§ 20 and 27 of Article 30 of this Code) ] PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TO ADULTS; (2) [old age assistance (with particular reference to §§ 72 and 79 of this article); (3) ] general public assistance; [(4) aid to permanently and totally disabled; (5) ] (3) child welfare services; [(6)] (4) aid to families with dependent children (with particular reference to § 56 of this article); [(7)] (5) any other social service or public assistance activity financed in whole or in part by funds of the State or the federal governments; and [(8)] (6) administrative, retirement and social security expenses for social service employees (with particular reference to §§ 13 (c) and 13 (d) of this article). This section shall not apply to the program of general public assistance to employables, the donable foods program and the federal Food Stamp Act of 1964 or any amendments thereto, including rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, provided, however, that nothing contained herein shall be so construed as to compel any county or the City of Baltimore to participate in [said] THE programs of general public assistance to employables[,] OR donable foods [or the federal Food Stamp Act of 1964].

62A.

The local unit may pay the reasonable funeral expenses, not to exceed [four hundred dollars (\$400.00)] \$400, of children receiving foster care under the Administration's foster care program and recipients of aid to families with dependent children, [aid to the permanently and totally disabled,] general public assistance, [and old age assistance,] PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TO ADULTS, and on and after January 1, 1974 all Maryland recipients of assistance payments from the federal Supplemental Security Income Program under Title XVI of the Social Security Act. Provided that any persons